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## Rathmolyon Parish Bulletin

**Masses this weekend: 19/20th August, 2017** No. 1257.

**Sat. 8pm.** Michael Heffernan. Mary and Christopher Ward, Togher  
Larry and Bridget Lawless.

**Sun.10am.** Patrick and Elizabeth Brady.

**Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday:** Mass at 9.30am.

**Next weekend: Sat. 8pm.**

Thomas, Patricia and Claire Gunning. Benny Murray. Tom and Kathleen Tuffy.

**Sun.10am.** Julie Fox, Peter Fox, Peter Webb.

**Plate Collection:** €343. *Many thanks.*

**Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesday:** 10am-10pm. **Wednesday:** 10-11am and 6-10pm.

**Meath Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from Sept. 12-17 and will be led by Bishop Smith. The fare is € 729 for full board and inclusive of insurance and travel taxes. Contact Pilgrimages Abroad tel. 01-6359300.

**We welcome** Sophie Sorochoa O'Malley baptised this weekend.

**Celebrating One Year to the World Meeting of Families 2018 in Knock:** We invite you and all your family to come along to the launch of the one-year programme of preparation for World Meeting of Families 2018, which will take place at the Knock Shrine, County Mayo, on Monday 21st August on the Anniversary of the Apparition of Our Lady in Knock. This day of celebration will include liturgical moments, the celebration of the Eucharist, workshops, as well as faith and fun activities for all the family. The WMOF2018 Icon of the Holy Family will be unveiled and anointed at Mass in the Basilica at 3pm and then begin its journey around the dioceses of Ireland. The Diocese of Meath will be represented at the gathering by Oliver and Rosemarie Keating and their three young children Enda, Paul and Grace.

**Novena to Our Lady of Knock** continues until the 22nd August.

**Novena Prayer:** Our Lady of Knock, Queen of Ireland, you gave hope to your people in a time of distress, and comforted them in sorrow. You have inspired countless pilgrims to pray with confidence to your divine Son, remembering His promise "Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find". Help me to remember that we are all pilgrims on the road to heaven. Fill me with love and concern for my brothers and sisters in Christ, especially those who live with me. Comfort me when I am sick, lonely or depressed. Teach me how to take part ever more reverently in the Holy Mass. Give me a greater love of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Pray for me now and at the hour of my death. Amen.

**Pioneer Association:** Church Gate Collection next weekend 26th and 27th. Your support will be appreciated

**Rathmolyon Hurling Club: Lotto Nos.** 8,13,15,16. Next draw 21st August.

**Rathmolyon GAA:** Evan Brennan Hurling Skills Challenge on Saturday 26th at Rathmolyon GAA grounds. €10 per adult and €5 for juveniles under 16. 4 disciplines long puck, cross bar challenge, target golf and sideline shot, face painting and many other activities. All proceeds to Autism Ireland.

**Enfield/Rathmolyon Senior Citizens/Active Retirement Club:** Annual Sponsored Walk takes place this Sunday 20th August from Enfield Parish Meeting Room at 3pm.

**Enfield Celtic F.C.** All are invited to the **Official Opening of Pitch** this Saturday 26th August from 1-6pm. Official Opening ceremony at 3pm. Kids entertainment, music, "legends soccer match" and more. Light refreshments in the Bridge Bar afterwards. Parking at Na Fianna Grounds. Promises to be a great day.

**Congratulations** to all who received their Leaving Certificate results during the week. Congratulations also to their teachers and parents who helped the students achieve their aims. May they have God's blessings and graces in the future, in college or in the workplace.

**Edward Cosgrave Memorial Fundraiser:** Tractor Run will take place this Sunday 20th August from Longwood. Registration opens at 12 noon.

**Medjugorje Pilgrimage:** August 30th-September 6th. Still some vacancies available. Contact Teresa 087 9657299.

**Salmon of Knowledge Festival Trim:** Sunday 27th August from 11am. Fun free family day. Music, crafts and childrens activities. Telephone 086 8820760.

**Todays Gospel:** She was a lady like many – the woman of the gospel today. She would fight for her child. So she took on Jesus, the best known religious figure around. Like someone taking on the Taoiseach over a medical card for a chronically ill child, and not letting him off the hook. Jesus was testing her. He saw faith, but he wanted everyone else to see it. So he told her she didn't fit into the local religious sphere because she was foreigner, an asylum seeker or a refugee. Or a lone mother who had a bad name. She knew she fitted into the heart of Jesus simply because she was the mother of a sick child. Jesus cured her child and praised her faith. She is another of the unnamed ones of the gospel. Like the woman of Samaria, the rich young man, the thief on Calvary – she is herself, and she is all of us. She is everyone, man and woman, of faith. Faith in a surprising God who in Jesus his Son, never says no to goodness. Faith that keeps us energetic and alive, not tired, in soul as well as body. Lord, I believe, strengthen my faith. Donal Neary, SJ

**Celebrating 50 Years of our Church**

**Next weekend:**

**Readers: Sat. 8pm.** S. Downey. **Sun.10am.** C. Dixon.

**Eucharistic Ministers: 8pm.** M. Howley, A. Heffernan.

**Sun. 10am.** B. Downey, R. Maguire.

**Altar Society:** B. Rochford, T. Smith.

**Cleaners:** B. Downey, L. McEnroe, M. Mulvihill

**Collectors: Sat. 8pm.** C. O'Brien, P. Ennis, A. Forde.

**Sun. 10am.** G. Cunningham, D. Larkin, J. Crowley.